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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF INTERCONTINENTAL HOTELS OFFICIAL

1. FRANK ROSS OF INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL CORPORATION (IHC) PLANS TO TRAVEL TO SOUTHERN AFRICA FOR SEVERAL WEEKS BEGINNING LATE JANUARY TO FOLLOW UP ON HOTEL PROPOSALS TO GOVERNMENTS OF BOTSWANA AND SWAZILAND.

2. EMBASSY GABORONE REQUESTED DETERMINE AVAILABILITY JANUARY 30-31 OF RALPH STEPHENS AND MICHAEL SHIPSTER OF BOTSWANA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (BDC) QUOTE TO DISCUSS MOST RECENT LETTER UNQUOTE ON PROPOSED HOTEL/APARTMENT COMPLEX FOR GABORONE.

3. EMBASSY MBABANE REQUESTED DETERMINE AVAILABILITY OF MINISTER SIMON NXUMALO FEBRUARY 10 TO DISCUSS HOTEL PROJECT. (FYI: ROSS SAYS THAT PROSPECTS FOR HOTEL IN SWAZILAND ARE NOT BRIGHT AT MOMENT DUE TO QUOTE MUTUAL MISUNDERSTANDINGS. UNQUOTE. ROSS PLANS TERMINATE JOINT GERMAN/SWAZI IHC PROPOSAL AND MAKE ALTERNATE IHC/SWAZI PROPOSAL.

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END FYI.)

4. EMBASSY MASERU REQUESTED DETERMINE AVAILABILITY OF
DIRECTOR OF LESOTHO NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
FEBRUARY 12-13 TO DISCUSS EXPORT OF LESOTHO HANDICRAFTS
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